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SENATE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate wish to express  
3 their sincere condolences to the family and friends of Colleen  
4 P. Dries of East Peoria, who passed away on December 28, 2006;  
5 and

6           WHEREAS, Colleen Dries was born on April 15, 1948; her  
7 parents were Peter C. and Mary Alice Campion Dries; and

8           WHEREAS, Colleen Dries received her Bachelor of Arts degree  
9 in social studies and education from St. Louis University in  
10 1971, her post degree work in English as a second language from  
11 Illinois State University, and her Master of Arts degree in  
12 leadership in educational administration from Bradley  
13 University in 1996; and

14           WHEREAS, Colleen Dries was Principal of Adult Education and  
15 Family Literacy; her administrative experience includes  
16 working for the Peoria Public Schools from 1995 to 1997, Grant  
17 writing for Adult Education, and working for the Illinois Adult  
18 and Continuing Educators Association; from 1991 to 1996 she  
19 planned, organized, and conducted State conferences; she  
20 established a Task Force; she conducted board meetings; she  
21 designed and implemented a State legislative fax network for  
22 legislative alerts; and served on the committee for re-writing

1 Section 10-22.20 of the Illinois School Code; and

2 WHEREAS, Her professional activities include serving on  
3 the Commission on Adult Basic Education (COABE) from 1987 to  
4 1997 and as Regional Director from 1994 to 1996; serving on the  
5 American Association for Adult and Continuing Education  
6 (AAACE) Nominations and Elections Committee in 1996; serving on  
7 the Illinois Adult and Continuing Educators Association  
8 (IACEA), as the Present Legislative Chair and as the Membership  
9 Chair from 1994 to 1996, serving as President-elect in 1991-92,  
10 President 1992-93, Past President 1993-94, Past Regional  
11 Director 1987-91, and Conference Chair in 1992; serving on the  
12 IACEA Task Force on Adult Education as initiator and overseer  
13 1992 to 1996; and as a presenter at numerous regional and  
14 State-wide conferences from 1989 1996; and

15 WHEREAS, Colleen Dries is survived by her sister, Mary  
16 Theresa (Edward W.) Coates; her brother, James C. Dries; her  
17 nieces, Jennifer and Lauren Coates; and her nephew, Nathaniel  
18 Coates; therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL  
20 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with  
21 all who knew her, the passing of Colleen Dries; and be it  
22 further

1           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
2 presented to the family of Colleen Dries, as an expression of  
3 our sincere sympathy.